
**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION
BENEFITS AND PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

MINUTES OF MEETING

February 15, 2006

A meeting of the Benefits and Program Administration Committee (BPAC) was held on Wednesday, February 15, 2006, in the Lincoln Plaza North Auditorium, 400 Q Street, Sacramento, California.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. and the following Committee Members were present:

Kurato Shimada, Chair
Rob Feckner, Vice Chair
James Zerio, representing Philip Angelides
Robert Carlson
George Diehr
Priya Mathur
Michael Navarro
Nick Smith, representing Steve Westly

Other Board Members present:

Tony Oliviera

AGENDA ITEM 2 – APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 13, 2005 BENEFITS AND PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

On **MOTION** by Nick Smith, **SECONDED** and **CARRIED**, the minutes were approved as presented.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – LEGISLATIVE - ACA 23 (RICHTMAN) – DEFINED CONTRIBUTION AND HYBRID PLAN – AS AMENDED ON JANUARY 30, 2006

Lisa Marie Hammond, Chief, Office of Governmental Affairs, presented this item.

On **MOTION** by Nick Smith, **SECONDED** and **CARRIED**, the Board approved staff's recommendation to oppose ACA 23 (RICHTMAN) – Defined Contribution and Hybrid Plan as amended on January 30, 2006. Mr. Navarro abstained from voting.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – 2005 COST-OF-LIVING REPORT

Alan Milligan, Managing Actuary, Actuarial Office, presented this item.

On **MOTION** by George Diehr, **SECONDED** and **CARRIED** the Board approved staff's recommendation to accept the 2005 Cost of Living, and the Report be given to the Governor and the Legislature.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – SUMMARY OF THE 2005 MEMBER-AT-LARGE BOARD ELECTION

Rick Nelson, Chief, Operations Support Services Division, presented this information item.

Mr. Shimada commented that several months ago he had indicated they would form an Ad Hoc Committee to look into the election procedures, and in the interim President Feckner stated he would send information to the Board members seeking their input and concerns. Mr. Nelson reported that he had received the Board's concerns and questions about the election procedures and is working with his staff and the Legal Office to bring an item before the May 2006 BPAC meeting.

Mr. Carlson stated that he was interested in the costs of conducting the election that were shown on various exhibits and cost of the election, as well as looking at the FPPC records on money expended by the candidates for the elections. In response to Mr. Shimada's question as to the availability of these records, Mr. Mixon stated that as long as the documents are a public record, they're available to any member of the public, including CalPERS.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – CHIEF ACTUARY REPORT

Ron Seeling indicated that there was nothing to report at this time; the Board had no questions.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

Kathie Vaughn reported on the Benefits and Program Administration Assignment Matrix. She noted on item #1 (Interest on Service Credit and Installment Payments) that the agenda item was heard in November 2005, not October 2005.

Ms. Vaughn reported on the Disability Backlog Project (RADAR) and commended CalPERS staff on their collaborative efforts to eliminate the 4,500 disability applications backlog by June 2006.

Ms. Vaughn also acknowledged and thanked CalPERS Human Resources staff along with Bruce Wagstaff with the Sacramento County Department of Human Assistance and Dave Mowery with Employment and Supportive Services for their joint efforts in hiring 25 seasonal staff by the first week in January 2006

AGENDA ITEM 8 – DRAFT AGENDA FOR MARCH 14, 2006 BPAC MEETING

No changes to the agenda were made.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

The next Benefits and Program Administration Committee meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2006 in Sacramento, CA.

FRED BUENROSTRO
Chief Executive Officer